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NCPHP CEO Joseph P. Jordan appointed to Opioid Task Force

Raleigh, N.C., May 29, 2018 – Dr. John L. Reynolds, president of the North Carolina Medical Society (NCMS), has appointed Joseph P. Jordan, PhD, CEO of North Carolina Physicians Health Program (NCPHP), to the NCMS's Opioid Task Force.

As a member of the task force, Jordan will advise the NCMS on policy proposals from the state and federal government, while also helping evaluate and develop unique policy proposals. In addition, he will advise the NCMS on nongovernmental advocacy projects that the organization can partner with or spearhead.

"Joe offers a unique expertise and perspective to the Opioid Task Force," said Dr. Reynolds, "This task force will serve a vital role in our state in the years ahead, and we are thrilled he will join our team and assist us in our efforts to mitigate the opioid crisis in North Carolina."

Jordan has more than 25 years of experience in the areas of substance use and mental health disorders. He has worked with NCPHP since 2007, serving as Clinical Director and Executive Director before taking on the role of CEO in 2016.

NCPHP helps medical professionals recover from substance use disorders and other conditions, such as depression, anxiety or burnout that could impair a provider's ability to safely provide care and services to their patients. Since 1988, NCPHP has assisted over 3,000 medical professionals in North Carolina.

"I am honored Dr. Reynolds has selected me to join this important effort," Jordan said, "Through my work with NCPHP, I have seen the far-reaching impact of the opioid crisis in North Carolina, and I am excited to bring my expertise to this talented group."

About NCPHP

Since 1988, the North Carolina Physicians Health Program has been dedicated to helping medical professionals experience a lifetime of change and return to health. NCPHP assists with recovery from substance use disorders and other conditions such as depression, anxiety, or burnout that could impair a provider's ability to safely provide care and services to their patients.

NCPHP originated as a physicians health committee of the North Carolina Medical Society. Established as a formal program in 1988, NCPHP provides assistance and advocacy for licensees of the North Carolina Medical Board, the North Carolina Board of Veterinary Medicine, and the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy. From 1988 through 2015, NCPHP provided direct assistance to more than 3,600 medical professionals and indirect assistance to thousands more through educational and advisory programs.

About North Carolina Medical Society

The NCMS is the oldest professional member organization in North Carolina, representing physicians and physician assistants who practice in the state. Founded in 1849, the Society seeks to promote access to quality health care for all citizens in North Carolina and champions initiatives that seek to improve quality of care and promote patient safety.

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